Local Boundary Commission

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The chapter 3 study for this area is innaccurate and uninformed concerning per capita income and quality of housing. A houshold is considered 'upper middle class' if they have a flush toilet! And truly, what would be the tax base here, because, the State lands can't be taxed, the Natives can't be taxed, the Fed lands can't be taxed, the University lands can't be taxed. That's 95% of the area! Leaving, actually, less than 5% of the people carrying 100% of the burden. Rural Alaska produces over 80% of the wealth of the State. Which a great % ends up in Anchorage, Fairbanks and Juneau. Thanks, Jim Petrillo